

Texas Employees Group Benefits Program

Senate State Affairs Committee

March 31, 2010

Review of FY 2010-2011 Insurance Appropriations



Legislative Appropriation Request:

- 8 percent cost trend each year
- Leave \$50 million in the contingency fund
- Current benefits

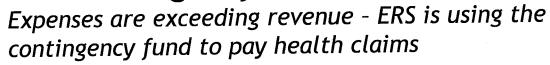
General Appropriations Act:

- Funding capped at:
 - 6.5% increase for FY 2010
 - 6.8% increase for FY 2011
- Spend all of the contingency fund
- Current benefits

5% Reduction:

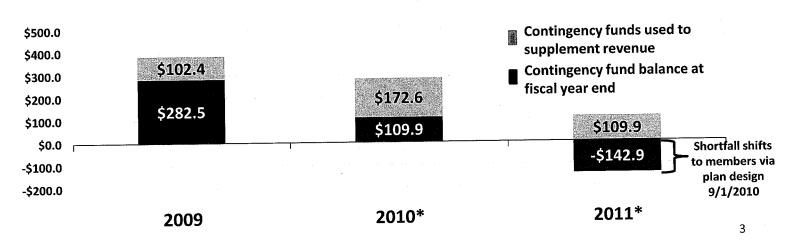
 Realized through state agencies' hiring delays or freezes that lower the state's total contributions for the biennium

GBP Contingency Fund





	FY 2009	FY 2010*	FY 2011*
Total revenue	\$ 2,477.1	\$ 2,694.7	\$ 2,896.4
Contingency funds	\$ 102.4	\$ 172.6	\$ 109.9
Total expenses	\$ 2,579.5	\$ 2,867.3	\$ 3,149.2
Net shortfall	(\$ 0.0)	(\$ 0.0)	(\$ 142.9)



^{*}Projected based on 9.1% cost trend

GBP Cost Drivers

Projected annual plan benefit cost trends for FY 2010-2011



Benefit Cost Trend - August 2008

Category	Utilization Trend	Cost/Unit Trend	MCS Leverage	Plan Cost Trend	% of Total Plan Costs
Hospital	2.6%	4.4%	1.0%	8.0%	43.7%
Other Medical Expense	4.2%	1.3%	0.5%	6.0%	33.6%
Pharmacy	3.2%	3.7%	3.6%	10.5%	22.7%
Total	3.3%	2.3%	1.4% (7.9%	100.0%

Benefit Cost Trend – February 2010

Category	Utilization Trend	Cost/Unit Trend	MCS Leverage	Plan Cost Trend	% of Total Plan Costs
Hospital	2.5%	7.0%	1.0%	10.5%	45.5%
Other Medical Expense	2.5%	3.0%	0.5%	6.0%	32.2%
Pharmacy	3.2%	3.7%	3.6%	10.5%	22.3%
Total	2.7%	5.0%	1.4%	9.1%	100.0%

Texas Employees Group Benefits Program The plan design change process



- Board will consider design changes ranging from 6 percent (\$150mm) to 8 percent (\$200mm) at its May 2010 meeting
- ERS has involved participants in the process
 - More than 100 meetings with legislative staff and employee/retiree groups and associations
 - Close to 48,000 responded to the educational survey asking for feedback on potential design changes
 - In-person and on-line focus groups went behind the numbers to discover how people felt about the options
 - Board will host more feedback sessions across the state in May
- Design changes will take effect September 1, 2010

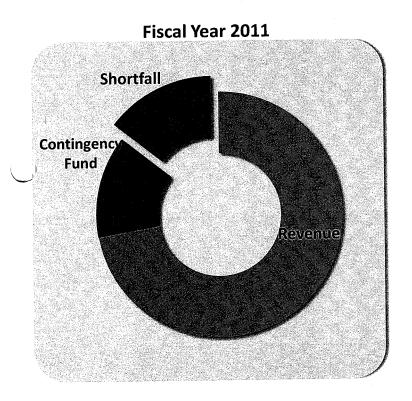
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Evaluation of Benefit Change Examples on FY 2011 Costs

Physician Office Visit Copayment Change; Retain PCP Referral. Current HealthSelect: \$20 PCP/\$30 specialist	
Increase all primary care physician office visit copays by \$5	0.5%
Increase all specialist copays: by \$10 by \$20	1.1% 2.2%
HealthSelect Deductible Change. Current HS-in net/HS-out net/HS-out area: \$0/\$500/\$200	
\$100/\$750/\$300	1.0%
HealthSelect Coinsurance Stop Loss Change. Current HS-in net/HS-out net/HS-out area: \$1,000/\$3,000/\$1,000.	
\$1500/\$4500/\$3000	0.7%
\$2000/\$7000/\$3000 \$3000/\$7000/\$3000	1.3% 2.0%
Inpatient Copayment Change. Current HealthSelect and HMO: \$100 per day/5 day maximum.	
\$150 per day/5 day max \$150 per day/7 day max	0.1% 0.2%
Outpatient Facility Copayment Change. Current HS/HMO: \$100/\$100	
\$150/\$150	0.4%
Emergency Room Copayment Change. Current HealthSelect/HMO: \$100/\$100	
\$150/\$150	0.2%
Prescription Drug Copayment Change. Current \$10/\$25/\$40 retail, 3x mail for all, \$5/\$10/\$15 retail mainten \$50 deductible at retail and mail.	ance fee,
\$10/\$35/\$60, \$50 deductible \$15/\$35/\$60, \$100 deductible	2.1% 3.1%
Move all Specialty Drugs to 3rd Tier.	0.1%

Texas Employees Group Benefits Program Future funding issues





•Contingency funds will not be available for ERS to finance health care expenses in FY 2012-2013

•LAR Issue for FY 2012-13

 Should baseline request include the amount of contingency funds used during FY 2010-11?

APPENDICES



- Summary of plan's revenue and expenditure experience
- II. Update on HealthSelect's alternative health care payment programs

Appendix I

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Summary of Plan Experience

	FY09	FY10*	FY 11* current benefits)	FY 11* (6% change)
REVENUE		(\$ millio	ons)	
State Contribution - State Agency	\$1,076.7	\$1,191.3	\$1,293.2	\$1,293.2
State Contribution - Higher Ed	436.9	480.4	521.5	521.5
State Contribution - Other	34.6	47.7	51.7	51.7
Member Contribution	336.0	374.8	406.9	406.9
Member Cost Sharing	461.6	501.8	520.1	661.4
Refunds, Rebates and Part D Subsidy	\$93.8	\$94.4	\$99.7	\$99.7
Net Investment Income	37.5	4.3	3.3	4.9
Total Revenue	\$2,477.1	\$2,694.7	\$2,896.4	\$3,039.3
HEALTH CARE EXPENSES				
Plan	\$2,117.9	\$2,365.5	\$2,629.1	\$2,487.8
Member Cost Sharing	461.6	501.8	520.1	661.4
Total Expenses	\$2,579.5	\$2,867.3	\$3,149.2	\$3,149.2
Net Gain/(Loss)	(\$102.4)	(\$172.6)	(\$252.8)	(\$109.9)
Contingency Fund Balance *Projected	\$282.5	\$109.9	(\$142.9)	\$0



An Update on HealthSelect's Alternate Health Care Payment Programs March 31. 2010

BACKGROUND:

The 81st Legislature (H.B. 4586, Supplemental Appropriation Bill) authorized ERS to establish a pilot program based on quality of care standards and evidence-based best practices where health care providers are compensated under alternative payment systems other than the traditional fee-for-service.

ERS has successfully concluded a pay-for-performance pilot program in Austin and continues to work with a number of groups throughout Texas to further explore innovative ways to improve quality and efficiency.

The following table summarizes ERS' progress toward implementing these systems within HealthSelect of Texassm:

Provider Group	Program	Location	Status	
Austin Pediatric Surgeons	Pay-for- Performance	Austin	12-month pilot successful, and resulted in GBP savings and provider group payments in the amount of \$42,250 each.	
Austin Regional Clinic	Pay-for- Performance and Patient-centered Medical Home	Austin	This project is on track to begin Sept. 2010.	
Seton Hospital	Clinical Integration or Patient-centered Medical Home	Austin	Discussions ongoing to establish pilot program.	
Texas Medical Home Initiative	Patient-centered Medical Home (multi-payor)	Dallas	A demonstration project consisting of several provider groups and insurance carriers. Recruitment of medical groups and carriers has begun.	
Memorial/Hermann Hospital System	Clinical Integration	Houston	Initial meetings have been held. Discussions on clinical and financial targets are scheduled.	
Covenant Health Partners	Clinical Integration	Lubbock	Agreement on evidenced based clinical quality targets, cost targets, administrative requirements, the participant study group, and how to measure the results and savings.	
	Chimem Lawys		Initial meetings have been held. Discussions of clinical and financial targets are scheduled. Agreement on evidenced based clinical quality targets, cost targets, administrative requirements, the participant study group, and how to measure the results and savings. Implementation pending the outcome of a state and federal investigation of Covenant Health Partners. Conducted initial discussions related to using a supervising primary care physician to evaluate patients' care and identify possible cost saving opportunities. Initial meetings have been held. ERS is	
Grace Medical Clinic	Patient-centered Medical Home	Lubbock	Conducted initial discussions related to using a supervising primary care physician to evaluate patients' care and identify possible cost savings opportunities.	
Trinity Clinic/ Mother Francis Hospital	Clinical Integration and Patient- centered Medical Home	Tyler	Initial meetings have been held. ERS is currently gathering cost data to establish performance targets.	
			The goal is to implement a pilot program by September 2010.	

Program Descriptions:

PAY-FOR-PERFORMANCE: Clinical performance and economic benchmarks are set related to delivery of appropriate, quality care producing lower overall health care costs. These can include appropriate usage of outpatient facilities rather than in-patient; reducing duplicative lab work; and performing radiology services at lower cost facilities. Savings are shared with providers if the both clinical and economical targets are achieved.

PATIENT-CENTERED MEDICAL HOME: Enhanced access and care that is coordinated among physicians and across facilities, including health information exchange, extended office hours and open scheduling. Enhanced services are paid for by the health plan through per participant/per member payments. If clinical quality and cost performance targets are met, health plan shares savings with participating practices.

CLINICAL INTEGRATION: A group of physicians networked with integrated focus on improved patient outcomes, improved safety and reduced costs through ongoing evaluation and modification of practice patterns within a physician group. If administrative, clinical quality and economic performance targets are met, health plan's savings are shared with physicians.